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Vietnam pact signed



SIGNING THE PEACE — U.S. delegation, headed by Secretary of State Rogers, seated third from right, sits across table from the North Vietnamese group, back to camera, during the first signing ceremony at the Hotel Majestic in Paris yesterday. (AP photo)

PoW lists exchanged

PARIS. — The U.S., North Vietnam, South Vietnam and the Vietcong yesterday signed a treaty ending the Vietnam war — and the signers then drank champagne, toasts to the peace they had made without even exchanging a handshake.

U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers, North Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Duy Trinh, South Vietnamese Foreign Minister Tran Van Lam, and Vietcong Foreign Minister Nguyen Thi Binh penned their signatures in two ceremonies of 19 and 10 minutes, signing 215 lines on the inch-high, wide, of rather bound documents making up the "Agreement on Ending War and Restoring Peace."

The treaty ended 12 years of war which killed a total of 1.5 million persons. The signing took place under a 1727 Gobelin tapestry showing Mars, the god of war, with the documents ordering a cease-fire at midnight GMT, 2 a.m. today Israel time.

The delegates later toasted the treaty in champagne, and chatted together. But they spoke not one word to each other. The International Conference Centre at the corner Hotel Majestic. There were no handshakes, and they buried war without a murmur and without any evident joy other than a diplomatic smile.

A little over one hour after the final signing ceremony, representatives of a four-party joint military commission met to exchange lists of military prisoners who are to be freed within 60 days. The lists were expected to be made public.

U.S. officials said the American list would be released after the Paris cease-fire. In addition to the release of all prisoners, the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Vietnam, internationally supervised free elections in South Vietnam, release of all prisoners, cessation of the dispatch of U.S. troops to South Vietnam, cutting the Ho Chi Minh Trail.

Rogers only spoke in public for a 21-hour Paris day-deck with the agreement means. At only a short after the signing, he said that the agreement was a "historic step" and that "we have every reason to hope."

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Hanoi troops seize city before truce

SAIGON. — Communist-led forces launched widespread attacks yesterday on South Vietnamese population centres, storming into the provincial capital of Tay Ninh and its Cao Dai Temple on the eve of a historic ceasefire designed to end 12 years of war.

Capture of Tay Ninh gives the Communists a possible base for a capital in South Vietnam, according to South Vietnamese military sources.

Tay Ninh, 80 kms. northwest of Saigon, fell after a day-long assault. The district (county) town of Cai Lay, 74 kms. southwest of Saigon, also was reported lost to the Communists.

Tay Ninh is located 19 kms. from the Cambodian border. It is the second South Vietnamese provincial capital captured by the Communists. Quang Tri City, 650 kms. north of Saigon was captured last May 1 but was recaptured by South Vietnam September 16.

American bombers flew 429 sorties across South Vietnam during the past 24 hours to support government troops battling a Communist offensive before the ceasefire, the U.S. command said yesterday.

The latest raids — the highest for many months — marked an increase of 22 on the number of sorties announced Friday.

A spokesman said the air strikes were the heaviest this year and matched the intensity of American bombing during the first weeks of North Vietnam's Easter offensive last year.

In addition, B-52 bombers continued their carpet-bombing just south of the demilitarized zone, dropping hundreds of tons of explosives on North Vietnamese troop concentrations and supply areas.

Tay Ninh is the capital of the Cao Dai Buddhists — one of South Vietnam's major religious sects.

U.S. officials said captured documents had shown indications of a Communist drive in Tay Ninh, "and we expected the punch to come late so they can hold onto it until the cease-fire and put the P.R.G. down there."

Tay Ninh is sufficiently near to Saigon and sufficiently known in the world to give the P.R.G. the status boost it seeks, one said.

The sources said fighting was also reported at Trang Bang Town on the main road linking Saigon with Tay Ninh. Trang Bang is about 50 kms. northwest of the capital.

U.S. sources said skirmishes were breaking out at numerous places along the Saigon-Tay Ninh road, rendering all travel hazardous.

One prisoner who was captured at the village of Trang Bang told interrogators that the North Vietnamese were given the mission of

Nixon expects wide exchange of views during Meir's visit

'No hint of pressure' seen

By SAM LIPSKI

WASHINGTON. — President Nixon told Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin last Thursday that he was looking forward to the widest exchange of views on the Middle East with Mrs. Golda Meir when the Israeli Prime Minister visits the White House in March. But he did not indicate that he expected Mrs. Meir to come with new ideas or proposals.

There was no suggestion that Israel should make any concessions in its negotiating position, and there was no hint of pressure or special urgency to arrive at immediate solutions to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

This account of the meeting was based on authoritative sources here who said the 30-minute exchange between Mr. Nixon, Mr. Rabin and presidential adviser, Dr. Henry Kissinger, was primarily arranged at the White House's initiative to give the President an opportunity to say farewell to the Israeli envoy.

CLOSE CONTACT

Messrs. Rabin and Nixon are understood to have established an unusually close personal understanding which goes back to their direct contacts during the Jordanian crisis of 1970 when the U.S. and Israel coordinated their military and political policies to thwart a major assault on Jordan by Syrian armoured forces. Full details of the crisis have not been published. But enough is known to establish that Mr. Nixon and Mr. Rabin were involved at the highest levels of secret diplomacy, so much so that no written records or minutes were made of some of their meetings.

Concerning current American views on the Middle East, informed sources here said the meeting last Thursday was of a general nature. While informed diplomats here,

whether Israeli, American, or European, agree that the U.S. will be doing everything to "nudge" Israel and the Arab states into a negotiating posture, there is no expectation of a sudden transfer of energy from concern with Vietnam to concern with the Middle East.

This is not to say that the U.S. would not welcome any new signs of flexibility by Israel within the context of movement towards an interim Suez Canal agreement. Israeli willingness to accept a broader interpretation of an Egyptian presence on the Sinai side of the Canal, a deeper pull-back of Israeli forces, a more liberal view of the linkage between an interim settlement and an overall agreement — such moves would find encouragement in Washington.

But they are not being insistently urged, and despite the widespread assumption of a turning to the Middle East in the wake of the Vietnam peace accords, it is too

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Austria probes report on arms smuggling

VIENNA (AFP). — The Austrian authorities are investigating reports that a gang smuggling arms to the Middle East is operating in their territory. The gang's leaders are said to be hiding somewhere in southern Austria.

The investigation follows discovery of \$250,000 worth of arms aboard a Turkish ship docked at a port in the Yugoslav republic of Montenegro on January 4.

A few days later the Yugoslavs arrested an alleged member of the gang at Split, further up the Yugoslav coast. The man was said to have entered the country from Austria.

Hussein to see Nixon Feb. 6

WASHINGTON (UPI). — King Hussein of Jordan will visit President Nixon on February 6, the White House said on Friday.

Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler said Hussein will be on a private visit to Washington and will also meet Secretary of State William Rogers and other U.S. officials.

Plot to assassinate Numeiri

Twelve Sudanese officers held

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
The Sudanese government launched a massive man-hunt this weekend for persons suspected of planning to assassinate President Ja'afar Numeiri and a number of his military and civilian associates.

Interior Minister General Mohamed Baker Ahmed announced on Friday that a retired brigadier and 11 army officers were arrested in connection with the plot. He said the officers will be brought to trial immediately after the completion of preliminary investigations.

In a statement broadcast over the official Omdurman Radio, General Ahmed said the officers were rounded up, after a period of close surveillance, while they were meeting at the residence of retired Brigadier Abdul-Rahim Mohammed Shannan, described as the master-mind of the conspiracy.

Shannan was involved early in the 1960s in an abortive coup against Sudan's first military ruler, General Ibrahim Abboud. He was jailed for about three years, following which he was released in 1964 when the civilians regained power. Shannan was elected to Parliament the following year but lost his seat in 1968.

The Sudanese government gave no hint about the aspirations of the plotters or their political leanings.

President Numeiri, who came to power in May 1969 after toppling Sudan's civilian government in a bloodless army coup, was overthrown in July 1971 by what was termed at the time a Communist coup. Three days later, however, he regained army support. He then

Israeli killed in Madrid by Arab gunman

Was agent, 'September' says

MADRID. — An Israeli whose name was given here as Moise Hanan Yshai was shot dead in Madrid's busiest street on Friday. Police sources said yesterday he was believed to be an undercover man who had been shadowing Arab intelligence agents. The attacker who appeared to be an Arab according to eye witnesses, escaped.

Police believe the mid-morning shooting in Gran Via, the capital's main shopping and entertainment street, was connected with the Black September group.

Information had been received three weeks ago that a member of the Black September might come to Spain on an unknown assignment. A general security alert had been in force since then — particularly at Spanish airports.

Police were questioning eight persons in connection with the shooting. The sources said no arrests had been made and there was no trace of the attacker who fired three shots from a small calibre pistol equipped with a silencer. Two hit the Israeli identified by police as Yshai, 36, from Tel Aviv. Another bullet slightly injured a passer-by in the arm. Yshai was wounded and died later in hospital of wounds in the stomach and arm.

Quoting Spanish newspapers, Reuter reported last night that Yshai managed to identify his killer before dying. The assailant was named as Samir Mass'ad Ahmed, a Palestinian. There was no official confirmation of the report.

Police sources said they had "incomplete details" about the victim but believed he had been shadowing Arab intelligence agents.

The body was at Madrid's main Forensic Science Laboratory under constant guard by four policemen, the sources said. An "Israeli diplomatic official" was flying in to make arrangements for the funeral. Police had found a diary containing long lists of names — but no gun — on the body, the sources said.

The statement said the killing in Madrid was meant to revenge (Continued page 2, col. 2)

Arafat sees Assad

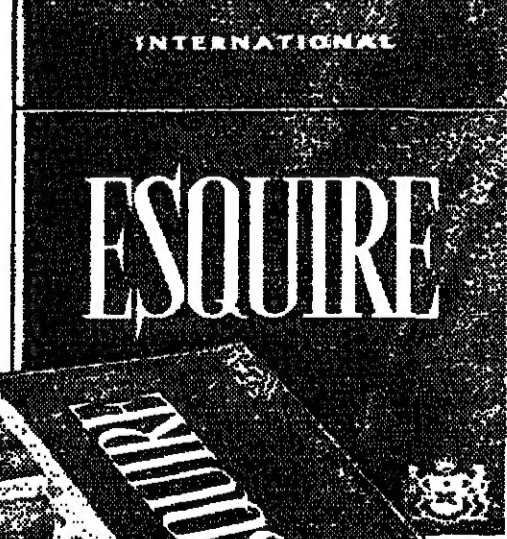
DAMASCUS (Reuters). — President Hafez al-Assad yesterday conferred with Yasser Arafat, head of the Fatah.

Official sources said they discussed the Palestine question and current Arab developments. They did not elaborate.

Mr. Masin, aged about 45, is a director of an international trade centre recently opened in Madrid. He has had business interests in the Spanish capital for many years and is a Spanish citizen, his friends said.

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Rabin due here today in preparation for Meir trip

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., Yitzhak Rabin, is due home today for consultations with the Government prior to Premier Meir's visit to Washington at the beginning of March. Mr. Rabin is expected to remain in the country for 10 days to two weeks.

Mr. Rabin will give the Prime Minister a report of his meeting on Thursday with President Nixon and Henry Kissinger — a meeting which both sides have described as a far-reaching session in anticipation of Mr. Rabin's concluding his tour of duty in March.

Mr. Rabin reported to Jerusalem that the atmosphere of the talk had been cordial.

Consultations with Mr. Rabin in preparation for Mrs. Meir's visit will formally begin towards the weekend — after Foreign Minister Eban returns from Belgium, where he is to sign the protocol of Israel's 1973 agreement with the European Economic Community. But Mr. Rabin is expected to start informal talks on Monday with the Prime Minister and other senior ministers.

In an interview on the army radio station Friday afternoon, Mr. Rabin said he was completely satisfied as to the state of U.S.-Israel relations today — four months after the presidential elections.

"In the meeting (with the President and Dr. Kissinger), I had the opportunity to see that the U.S. still maintains the same positions enunciated during Mrs. Meir's visit to the White House in December 1971," Mr. Rabin told his interviewer.

Commenting on a forecast by the military correspondent of the "New York Times" Friday that the U.S. would apply pressure on Israel to agree to a Middle East settlement, the Ambassador said he was sure both countries would search for ways of promoting peace in the area. "But," he added, "there's a tremendous difference between searching for a solution and applying pressure."

Mr. Rabin said the "time has passed" when the problem of arms supply to Israel was a major hitch in U.S.-Israel relations. The U.S. supply of arms to Israel continues, "and it has brought relative tranquillity to our region, strengthened the cease-fire, and even enhanced America's status among the Arab countries."

On the lesson to be drawn in the Middle East from the Vietnam conflict just ended, Mr. Rabin said it showed at least one thing: that the U.S. is prepared to back up its word.

Mr. Rabin had a quiet strength of character and was possessed of a brand of culture which she bore modestly. She was graduated from Cooper College in Baltimore with Phi Beta Kappa honours.

With the passing of her distinguished husband it was as if the sun had set for her. She moved from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv, to be near her children and grandchildren. Her son Daniel, now in charge of management at The Jerusalem Post, is married to Hassia Levy, the founder of the Jerusalem Group of Contemporary Dance. Her daughter Varda is married to Aluf Abrahami. Her elder daughter, Judith, is the wife of Dr. Harry Mendelsohn, a physician in Cleveland, and there are seven grandchildren. Her sister, Mrs. Stella Rabinowitz, is a Trustee and representative in Israel of the P.E.F. Israel Endowment Fund. She has a surviving brother, Louis, in Philadelphia.

Ethel Agron was a great lady, great in her culture and distinction, great in her service to Hadassah, great in her character and great in her modesty, which was out of proportion to her merits. Honour to her memory!

ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

MADRID

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the killing of two Palestinian representatives in Paris and Rome. It accused the Israeli agent of cooperating with Israeli military attaches in Rome and Paris in planning the "assassinations" of Wael Zuaiter and Mahmoud Hamshari in the two cities, and of mailing a letter bomb to Major Abdel Hani, member of the Libyan Revolution Command Council when he was receiving medical treatment in Barcelona.

It said that the Black September had taken into consideration "Spain's friendly attitude to the Arab cause... but the provocative Israeli actions... forced us to carry out the execution sentence against the Israeli officer in Madrid... this was also made necessary because he was planning to leave Spain for occupied Palestine on the same day."

The statement said the group had seized important documents from Yishai and Mazin which it will publish "at the right time."

It said Yishai led Israeli espionage and sabotage networks in Western Europe and was working to set up an Israeli network in Spain in cooperation with the "Israeli hireling Max Mazin."

(UPI, Reuters)
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its word by force, if necessary. President Nixon hinted at this last week in announcing the Vietnam agreement, the Ambassador said, when he stated the U.S. expected that the terms of the cease-fire agreement be scrupulously adhered to.

Eban going to Belgium, Switzerland

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Foreign Minister Abba Eban is to travel to Switzerland and Belgium this week — to appear at fund-raising functions in the former and to sign the protocol of Israel's 1973 agreement with the E.E.C. in the latter. He is expected to return by mid-week.

In Belgium, he will meet the new Belgian Foreign Minister, Renaat van Elslande, who, as chairman of the E.E.C. Council of Ministers, will sign the protocol for the E.E.C. Mr. Elslande, until now Minister of Interior, became Foreign Minister last week in Brussels. He has also served as Belgium's minister in charge of E.C.C. Affairs.

Last night in Jerusalem, Mr. Eban met with Luxembourg's Foreign Minister, Gaston Thorn, president of the Liberal International, which is meeting in the Capital.

Officials said the two ministers discussed the Middle East situation and problems connected with the European Common Market.

On Thursday Mr. Eban met with two other delegates to the Liberal International, Holland's Deputy Prime Minister, Willem Geertsema, and Dutch Defence Minister Hans de Koster.

ON SETTLEMENT
Speaking on a BBC radio interview, Mr. Eban said that in the eventual peace settlement Israel intended to keep only territory needed to avoid being vulnerable, as she was before 1967. But he said Israel did not propose maps ahead of negotiations and that peace will involve boundary changes.

On the territories now held, the Foreign Minister said Israel was not committed to the proposition that any places where Israelis have settled must remain Israeli territory after a peace settlement, and maintained that Jewish history did not command that any particular map of the country be preserved.

"I do not know what the 'Dayan Plan' or the 'Allon Plan' is," he added. But he stressed that "revision of boundaries is common after a war, and the Arabs should adjust to the fact that negotiations for peace will also include territorial negotiations."

Noting that peace must be reached through negotiations, Mr. Eban declared that Security Council resolution 242 — which calls for withdrawal from (some) territories in exchange for peace — is "useless" unless it leads to negotiations. "You cannot have peace by incantation," he declared.

Nixon-Meir meeting

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early to discover any substantive modifications in the oft-declared American position on the need for both Israel and Egypt to start talking with one another, the sooner the better.

It was against this background that analysts here viewed a report in "The New York Times" on Friday assessing the American defence commitment around the world in the post-Vietnam era. Written by the "Times" Pentagon correspondent, William Beecher, the report said most U.S. military planners believed the danger of a

big war in the Middle East had been defused, at least temporarily, since the expulsion of Soviet military personnel from Egypt.

This was because no single Arab nation, or any combination of them, could contemplate a successful attack on Israel without the assistance of the Soviets. But concern remained over two issues, Beecher reported.

First, as long as Israel "maintains the right to attack any Arab country giving refuge and support to Arab guerrilla organizations, the situation could get out of hand." Second, as long as Israeli troops continue to occupy Sinai in the absence of negotiations on an interim settlement, Egypt might feel compelled to cross the Suez Canal in the hope of forcing the big powers to impose a settlement or Cairo might invite the Russians back.

Beecher added, "Washington intends to press for movement on the Israeli-Egyptian negotiating front."

While this assessment is generally shared here amongst Israeli analysts as a fair summary of views in key sections of the administration, no undue apprehension about how Washington intends to press for movement is being voiced.

If interim negotiations do get under way later this year or next, Dr. Kissinger is not expected to be the key American diplomat involved in direct dealings with the parties. If the negotiations involve an active American intermediary role, it is assumed that Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco will play the role. Both because of his Jewish background and because of his willingness to let the State Department "look after" the Middle East (except in moments of crisis when the White House has taken over), Dr. Kissinger has virtually ruled himself out.

IL 60,000 fine for currency smuggler

Jerusalem money-changer Eliahu Isaacs, convicted last summer of smuggling an all-time record of \$2.5m. out of the country, was sentenced yesterday to a IL60,000 fine or a year in jail.

Isaacs, 60, who had said he got his dollars from men who were being supplied by the Controller of Foreign Exchange, was also given an 18-month suspended sentence. Court President Zvi Eli Baker said the circumstances did not warrant the jail term demanded by the prosecution.

In the original \$9-page indictment presented last year, Isaacs was accused of smuggling the money out between June 1967 and September 1968, using foreign-currency accounts of non-citizens in Jerusalem's Foreign Trade Bank (now part of the First International Bank of Israel). The branch later paid IL500,000 to the Treasury for its part in the affair.

The prosecution claimed that Isaacs made the transfers without the knowledge of the account-holders, but the money changer countered that all his dealings were conducted openly. After the prosecution agreed to drop some of the charges, Isaacs admitted the rest.

In justifying his actions, Isaacs said he had not expected arrest since the authorities had never intervened before during his 20 years of similar activity. He noted that he got the dollars from two men

who, though not authorized currency dealers, were being supplied by the foreign-currency controller as part of an agreement with Bank Leumi to maintain the "free" (i.e. black) currency market. He added that a partner of his worked for the Defence Ministry, which was aware of the money transfers but took no action, and that one of the managers of the bank branch handling the deals had himself once been deputy controller of foreign currency.

The prosecution had demanded a high fine and jail term, because of the size of the sum smuggled out, the number of transfers involved, and the methods Isaacs used. It asked the court to ignore the fact that the Foreign Trade Bank branch had already paid damages to the Treasury.

Judge Baker accepted the request to ignore the damages payment, but said the circumstances did not warrant a jail sentence for Isaacs. Both sides have 45 days to appeal the verdict to the Supreme Court.

Fraud suspect can't leave country — yet

TEL AVIV. — The District Court here on Friday issued a temporary injunction forbidding Yosef Glazer from leaving the country, just three days after the former banker — who is accused of fraud and forgery — was told by a judge he could go.

Mr. Glazer is charged with carrying out several fraudulent transactions when he headed the now-defunct Agudat Yisrael Bank. Last Tuesday Judge Hanna Benor agreed to allow Mr. Glazer to leave the country on condition he double his bail from IL100,000 to IL200,000.

Reading the news in a paper, Haifa attorney Ze'ev Hammer, who represents one of Mr. Glazer's creditors, an Argentine businessman, immediately applied to have Mr. Glazer declared bankrupt. He claimed the banker owes his client IL136,000.

Pending hearing of the application, District Court Registrar David Wallach issued the temporary injunction.

Ways sought to avert engineers' strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Yerubham Meshel, Deputy Secretary-General of the Histadrut, will today convene a special committee to seek a way to avert the engineers' strike scheduled for tomorrow.

The committee was chosen Friday at an extraordinary session of the Central Committee attended by the union leaders of the engineers and the technicians as well as by representatives of the Finance Ministry.

"THAW SEEN"
The engineers called off a scheduled press conference on Friday morning because "there was a slight thaw at the Histadrut meeting," Mr. Aharon Madanes, secretary of Engineers Union, told The Post yesterday. But the strike threat was still on last night.

It was agreed that the Meshel committee will rule on the percentage issue — the rate of rise in salaries which the Government insists should not exceed 35 per cent, while the engineers (according to the Treasury) want a rise nearer 50 per cent. Both sides agreed to accept the arbitration.

The secretariats of the engineers and the technicians are meeting this afternoon for a final session. "We shall call off the strike only if we see some indication of a move in our direction," Mr. Madanes said.

Local authorities warn against wildcat strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Union of Local Authorities on Friday appealed to municipal state committees not to hold their strike slated for this morning. Union headquarters pointed out that the warning strike, involving mainly District Council employees, was illegal. It also warned that the time taken off from work by the strike will be deducted from pay. The strike is not endorsed by the Histadrut's Clerical and Public Employees Union.

Jordan River said to be in danger of pollution

TEL AVIV. — The Jordan, Israel's last unpolluted river, will also be fouled in another year or two, Knesset Ecology Committee chairman Yosef Tamir warned here on Friday.

Mr. Tamir, who was speaking at the weekly meeting of the Engineers' Club, added that his committee would be meeting with Prime Minister Golda Meir in a few days to demand application of its recent recommendations on fighting environmental pollution.

Noting that the pollution of the Jordan could lead to a national water crisis in five to seven years, Mr. Tamir complained that only the younger members of the Cabinet were sufficiently aware of the growing pollution problem in Israel. They are 10 to 15 years behind the committee, he declared, and the fact that the 30 existing ecology laws are the responsibility of 13 different ministers means nothing gets done.

Among the instances of pollution Mr. Tamir cited was a complaint Friday morning by Ramat Aviv residents that the Jordan River was

polluted with garbage and sewage. He noted that, despite the danger of incidents like this, a new trial area was being planned in south Netanyahu tract only 400 meters from new housing.

The recommendations which the committee and Technion experts will present to Prime Minister Meir for preventing pollution include setting up standards for industrial pollution and building, cutting down use of private cars in cities, more tree-planting.

Rafi to boycott Ofer's election campaign staff

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Deputy Labour Secretary-General Mordechai Kiss, representing the ex-Rafi of the party, said yesterday he boycotted the party's election campaign staff headed by Avraham Miki.

Mr. Ofer, a close associate of Finance Minister Pinhas Plesner, chosen campaign chief by the 11-6 in the Labour Party Leadership Bureau last Thursday. The staff was opposed by the ex-Ahava and ex-Rafi wings of the party and by Moshe Hagai, secretary Beba Idelson. (A friend of Prime Minister Golda Meir) the only member of the Mafpi wing to vote against Mr. Ofer.

Party Secretary-General Ahava Yadin had moved that together with Mr. Surkis and Mr. Avraham Gopher (ex-Ahava Ha'avoda) they would form a committee with Mr. Ofer to set up an election campaign staff. Mr. Ofer would be a skeleton staff, it was said.

Mr. Surkis told reporters he would not take part in such a committee. He said it was too early to set the election campaign in motion and he reserved the right to fight the nomination at the party's central committee.

To Mr. Surkis' mind the staff could wait easily for another month. He had a better candidate than Mr. Ofer, but he decided to name him, saying only that the person concerned was also an ex-Mafpi wing. He said the campaign chief should be someone acceptable and "not imposed" on the section of the party.

Husband sought in axe assault on wife

ASHKELOON. — A 21-year-old woman housewife, Anna Oud, was in critical condition at Government Hospital in Gaza last night after she had been attacked with an axe on Thursday night. Police are searching for her husband, who disappeared after the assault.

Neighbours said the attack had been preceded by a loud quarrel between the couple, apparently of marital infidelity.

In deep sorrow, we announce the death of

ETHEL AGRON

Widow of the late Gershon Agron.

The funeral will leave the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour today, Sunday, January 28, 1973 (25 Shevat 5733) at 2 p.m. for the Har Hamenuhot Cemetery, Givat Shaul, Jerusalem.

Daniel Agron, son, and family
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Varda Tamir, daughter, and family
Stella Rabinowitz, sister, and family
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Ethel Agron dead at 78

Ethel Agron, widow of the late founder of The Jerusalem Post and Mayor of Jerusalem, Gershon Agron, died Friday at Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv after a long illness. She was 78.



The funeral will leave today at 2 p.m. from the Sanhedria funeral parlour in Jerusalem for the Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

APPRECIATION

With the passing of Ethel Lipshutz Agron a great lady has gone from the Israel scene.

She will be remembered by many as the gracious hostess who presided with charm and dignity over the Agron home which she and her beloved, unforgettable Gershon, of blessed memory, made a bet va'ed le-chochamim, a gathering-place for men of intellect and spirit from all over the world. My wife and I counted ourselves fortunate to be among their oldest friends and to spend days when Gershon and I were boys together propagating Zionism in the streets of Philadelphia.

It is nearly 50 years since Gershon and Ethel came to Jerusalem to establish their new home. Ethel shared Gershon's vision and his commitments in the founding of The Jerusalem Post, now The Jerusalem Post, and its development into an internationally respected newspaper, now edited by Gershon's friend and disciple, Ted Lurie. She shared his vision and commitments in his Zionist missions to all parts of the world.

Hermon ski site closed due to snowstorm

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TIBERIAS. — The ski slopes on Mount Hermon were closed at noon yesterday, as the result of a heavy snowstorm. The operators of the winter sports site sent 7,000 disgruntled snow lovers back home.

Would-be skiers were put out by the closure. "You can't ski when there's no snow, and you can't ski when there is snow," one of them muttered.

By three p.m. all visitors had left the site, but the snow was still falling last night.

In much of the rest of the country the morning's heavy winds turned into gusty rainfall by the afternoon. The weathermen said the rain would continue last night and today, scattered throughout the North and Centre of the country. Thunderstorms could also be expected, he said.

Infant's body found in garbage can

HAIFA. — The body of a one-day-old baby boy was discovered in a garbage can by sanitation workers in the city at 11 p.m. Friday. They notified the police but, as of last night, no arrests had been made.

(Him)

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Haifa slum-dwellers claim city is evading rehousing promise

By YAA'ACOV ARDON

Jerusalem Post Reporter
I.P.A. — Residents of the asbestos slum-dwellers in Kiryat Ha'im st have protested that the municipality of Haifa is trying to out of a commitment to provide permanent flats for 86 of the largest families "within a reasonable time."
The asbestos residents — some whom have lived in the "trans-encampment" since the early 60s — got a City commitment rehouse 180 families last May. He said the week-long sit-in outside Town Hall, Eighty-six of 130 families have eight or more children. They were promised new flats.
The slum-dwellers had planned an eight-hour sit-in demonstration outside Town Hall to demand the city to rehouse them. The police spokesman David Ar told The Post, but the police refused to give them a permit. Deputy police chief Sgan-Nitzan Frankel denied this yesterday.
He said the asbestos committee members had asked for permission to hold a demonstration "unlimited duration," and that had informed them the law did not permit them to hold such a sit-in. He said they could have permit to hold a "four-to-five" demonstration — but the committee could not agree among themselves whether to accept this. By last night, S/N Frankel said they had not officially received any permit for a protest sit-in.
Police permits aside, Mr. Amar said the asbestos residents have a right to demand the city's intention of rehousing them, ordering to their commitment. The Shikmona slum-clearance company — a joint agency of the

Government (two-thirds) and the Municipality (one-third) — is charged with carrying out the rehousing agreement. It has been trying to buy apartments for the large families. But it appears to be running up against the Housing Ministry, which is also trying to buy apartments for its own rehousing candidates. Of the 86 homes called for to rehouse the most urgent cases, only about half a dozen are in sight. They are now being reconsidered by Amidar.
At the present rate of operation, it will take Shikmona years to liquidate the asbestos.
Another problem noted by the asbestos residents is that the recently appointed manager of Shikmona — Zvi Balser of the Defence Ministry — is to be ousted from the job in favour of a former Haifa police commander, Yehuda Boneh.
Mr. Balser won the job last September in an open tender and has since won the trust of the slum-dwellers by visiting the asbestos and by his dedicated efforts to rehouse the large families quickly. But the City Executive is determined to annul the outcome of the tender

and to install Mr. Boneh — a veteran Haifa resident who has the confidence of the City Executive.
(The Defence Ministry granted Mr. Balser an unpaid leave of absence after he won the Haifa tender.)
Mr. Boneh's spokesman Amar further complained that he had written two letters to the Housing Ministry in Jerusalem several weeks ago, reminding them of their rehousing commitment. He said neither was answered. Only after he sent a telegram and threatened to demonstrate did he receive a reply — informing him that the Director-General of the Ministry was abroad.

Police probe beating of mental patient

RAT YAM — The police are investigating a complaint that a male nurse at Bat Yam Government Mental Hospital had beaten an unruly patient while the patient was tied to his bed.
The incident occurred about 12 days ago, when a drug addict was brought to the hospital. The man reportedly went berserk and the male nurses grappled with him and finally tied him to a bed. Shortly afterwards, the patient's family visited him and complained later that he had been brutally beaten.
A hospital works committee member told him that if the preliminary investigation shows sufficient grounds for bringing the nurse before a civil service disciplinary court, the committee would not object to his suspension. The nurse has in the meanwhile taken annual leave.
Some hospital employees, however, said they doubted whether the charges were true — the patient, a burly man, had been extremely violent and some force had to be used to restrain him, they said.

Man, 19, held for purse-snatching

TEL AVIV — A 19-year-old Tel Aviv man was remanded for 15 days on Friday after he was arrested in the Central Post Office in Allenby Road here the previous day, trying to snatch the purse of a woman tourist.
Police said they found in the hotel room of the suspect, Adrian Balaban, a briefcase containing seven stolen cheque-books. He is believed to have taken the cheque-books and other articles, including \$4,000 worth of jewellery, in a series of thefts and burglaries during the past few weeks, police said.
In the Magistrate's Court, Balaban admitted to the purse-snatching attempt, in the post office but said he knew nothing about the cheque-books found in his room.



Luxembourg's Foreign Minister Gaston Thorn (centre) is met at Lod Airport by (left to right) S.Z. Abramov, M.K. (Gahal); an unidentified Foreign Ministry representative; the Belgian Ambassador, Frans Willems; Tourism Minister Moshe Kol; and I.L.P. Secretary-General Yitzhak Barak. Mr. Thorn arrived on Friday to attend the Liberal International meeting in Jerusalem yesterday and today.

Liberal International meeting in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Staff
The Executive of the Liberal International opened a two-day conference in Jerusalem yesterday with a resolution recognizing the right of Soviet and Arab Jewry to emigrate to Israel. More than 40 leaders of 12 national liberal parties (including Israel's Liberals and Independent Liberals) are attending the meeting at the Moriah Hotel.
At the opening session last night, Tourism Minister Moshe Kol (I.L.P.) declared that the parties to the Middle East dispute should learn from the Vietnam cease-fire what practical results can be achieved through direct negotiations.
Liberal Party (Gahal) leader Elimelech Rimali, also calling for direct negotiations, stressed that Israel would surely reject any solutions drafted by the big powers if these were not first hammered out in negotiations between the parties to the dispute.
Luxembourg Foreign Minister Gaston Thorn, arriving for the conference, said at Lod Airport Friday that he regretted the U.N.'s failure to adopt a clear and strong anti-terrorist resolution.
Mr. Thorn, president of the International and a major figure in the Common Market, said he was referring to the world problem of terror in general. The Minister, who met last night with Israel Foreign Minister Abba Eban, added that he favoured "the best possible terms" for Israel in her association with the Market.

Jail inmate burned in mattress fire

TEL AVIV. — An Arab prisoner at the Abu Kabir lockup was taken to hospital in Tel Aviv Thursday night after being burned when his mattress caught fire. Police surmised he had fallen asleep with a lit cigarette in his mouth.

To combat future snowstorms Jerusalem may try 'shaking' trees free of snow

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Jerusalem Municipality may arm itself for coming snowfalls with tree shakers rather than new snowplows.
City Manager Ronnie Feinstein suggested to the Municipal Executive Friday that one or two machines normally used to shake olives out of olive trees be purchased in order to shake snow from trees in the recent snowfall, more than 2,000 trees in the city were damaged by the weight of snow.
As for snow graders, Mr. Feinstein said it would take 20 of them to open the city's main roads to traffic within six hours in the event of heavy snow. The graders cost \$500,000-IL750,000 each. At present the City has access to six or seven graders which can be borrowed from building contractors in an emergency. It is up to the City authorities, Mr. Feinstein said, to decide whether the investment in additional snow graders was worth while.
A decision has already been taken that each municipal department will

be provided with jeeps in order to enable employees to be brought to work during a snowstorm.
The Executive set up a committee headed by Mayor Teddy Kollek to look into the overall problem of coping with snow in the city, including a spelling out of the tasks the Municipality should undertake when snow falls and the order in which they should be executed.
Mr. Feinstein said Jerusalem's citizens will be provided with a brochure next winter advising them how to prepare for a possible snow emergency, including stocking powdered milk, candles, kerosene heaters and "good humour." The brochure will also describe the duties of the Municipality and services for which it is not responsible, — such as repairing electricity lines and providing milk.
The Executive called upon Egged, Tuva, local bakeries and the Israel Electric Corporation to prepare themselves better for carrying out their services during an emergency. Mr. Kollek is to contact the Government ministries responsible for these organizations — such as the Transportation Ministry in Egged's case — in order to enlist their aid.

H.U. professors end 5-week partial strike

By ERMIE MEYER

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The five-week-old partial strike of Hebrew University professors and senior lecturers ended on Friday. At a meeting on the Givat Ram campus which lasted till after midnight Thursday, the professors voted by a narrow margin to accept the terms offered by the University administration.
The end of the strike means they will resume their administrative duties.
The professors had originally asked for 25 per cent increases to bring their salaries in line with those paid at the Technion.
Under the actual settlement, they achieved two gains. Associate professors and senior lecturers are to be paid for supervising examinations during the latter part of the summer vacation. This duty was not compensated for previously. The net gain may amount to the equivalent of a month's salary.
Full professors will get a research allowance amounting to 25 per cent of their salary. This, however, is not automatic; professors will have to submit research programmes to their deans.
It is believed that stricter control of the research requirement will substantially cut down on "moon-

lighting," the practice of teachers to commute to other institutions, which reduces the time they have for research.
"Our strike will have achieved an important result if it cuts down on moonlighting," one professor said.
Those professors who hold administrative jobs or who are on sabbatical leave will not receive the full research allowance. It is estimated that under the new agreement only one-third of all professors will qualify for the full allowance.
Hebrew University senior staffers are meeting in Tel Aviv today with the coordinating committee of the Association of University Teachers. They are expected to rejoin that association, which they left 14 months ago in protest over the failure of Technion staffers to cooperate on setting salary standards.
PROF. ALEXANDER LORIAN, head of the Hebrew University's Institute of Languages and Literature, has been named a corresponding member for life of the Conseil International de la Langue Francaise. He is the first Israeli ever to be elected to this body, whose regular membership comes from French-speaking countries — among them four Arab countries.

Rabbi Goren calls for free religious services for all

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has urged that all religious services be provided free to the citizens of Israel. Apart from divorce proceedings, which naturally entail expenses for both sides, all other services — from marriage to burial — ought to be provided by the State. This would vastly improve the atmosphere of public life in everything connected with religion, the Chief Rabbi said.
Replying to questions at the Managers' Club in Jerusalem on Friday, the Chief Rabbi said he intended to raise the "Who's a Jew?" question with the political parties seeking to amend the Law of Return so that it define conversion as by halacha only. He will appeal to the parties to allow a free vote in the Knesset, and he is "certain" the amendment will secure a majority.
SURVEY TEMPLE MOUNT
Rabbi Goren revealed that, shortly after the Six Day War, he commissioned an Engineering Corps team to survey and measure the area of the Temple Mount. They worked for 10 days. Rabbi Goren has their report in his possession and hopes one day to write a halachic book based on their findings, he said. (Rabbi Goren maintains — contrary to the generally accepted halachic view — that Jews may walk on certain areas of the Temple Mount. As Chief Chaplain he prayed on the Mount until order-

ed off by the Defence Minister.) He said he was delaying writing the book because he "had enough problems at the moment" without reopening the Temple Mount question.
Rabbi Goren told the managers that he was trying to work harmoniously with his Sephardi colleague, Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, and was sure they would succeed if there were no outside interference in the affairs of the Chief Rabbinate.
ZOLTI CRITICISM
Meanwhile a leading opponent of Rabbi Goren, Rabbi Bezalel Zolti of the Rabbinical Supreme Court, on Friday published a long article attacking Rabbi Goren's ruling in the Langer mamzerim case. Writing in the religious newspapers "Hamodia" and "She'arim," Rabbi Zolti sought to disprove Rabbi Goren's contention that a halachic court ruling was valid even if the court members remained anonymous, so long as the court president himself signed the ruling. (The eight members of Rabbi Goren's special court chose to remain anonymous for fear of provoking attacks on themselves.)
Rabbi Zolti also challenged Rabbi Goren's assertion that his court had been entitled to hear evidence about the religious status of Abraham Borkovsky in the absence and without the knowledge of Mr. Borkovsky or his lawyer. Mr. Borkovsky was the first husband of Hanoch and Miriam Langer's mother, Eve Langer. Rabbi Goren's court held that he had never been converted properly to Judaism, that his marriage to Eve Langer was therefore invalid, that her subsequent marriage was therefore not adulterous, and that consequently the children of that subsequent marriage were legitimate.
Rabbi Zolti wrote that, as senior judge of the Supreme Court, he felt it his duty to defend his fellow dayanim from Rabbi Goren's attacks on them. (Rabbi Goren wrote in his Langer judgment that the dayanim who heard the case earlier

deliberately altered the evidence in order to find Hanoch and Miriam Langer mamzerim.) Rabbi Zolti assailed Rabbi Goren's assertion that the Rabbinical Supreme Court was debarrred from rehearing the case since it had already held against the Langers. On the contrary, asserted Rabbi Zolti, if Rabbi Goren had — as he claimed — new evidence, then the court which heard the case was bound by halacha to reopen it.
Rabbi Zolti said on Friday that he intends to write a book to disprove more of Rabbi Goren's arguments in the Langer judgment.
In Haifa, meanwhile, the young rabbi who edited Rabbi Goren's Langer ruling complained to the police that he was being threatened by religious fanatics. The rabbi, Yehuda Gur-Arye, alleged that representatives of the Pe'ilim-Yad Le-Ahim organization were pestering him with phone calls at the home of his father, Haifa Rabbi Mordechai Frankel. A Pe'ilim spokesman on Friday denied that anyone in his organization had made any threats.

Shazar rests in U.S. before return

WASHINGTON (INA). — President Zalman Shazar — who attended the funeral services for the late President Lyndon Johnson here last Thursday — spent the weekend resting at the Hotel Shoreham. Friends and Israeli officials joined Mr. Shazar for a private Sabbath service yesterday in his suite.
On Thursday night, Mr. Shazar met at the hotel with 15 leaders of the Washington Jewish community, in the only engagement arranged for him on this visit apart from his attendance at the funeral services. He told newsmen later that he needed a couple of days of rest before returning to Israel.

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Cyprus claimed to be battleground for Fatah, Israel

NICOSIA (AP). — Israel and the Palestinian terrorists are backing rival sides in the near civil war in Cyprus between President Makarios and the Eoka underground of General George Grivas, a highly placed supporter of the Archbishop has claimed.

The politician, who wished to remain unidentified, said on Friday that Israel has been supplying Grivas, whose underground favours union with Greece, with Soviet Kalashnikov automatic rifles captured from the Arabs.

In return, Grivas supporters have promised they would establish a Cypriot Embassy in Jerusalem if they come to power after overthrowing Makarios, who is pro-Arab, the source said.

Cyprus has no diplomatic representation in Israel, but there is an Israel Embassy in Nicosia.

A different version was given by Archbishop Makarios yesterday when he said that Eoka "is shopping for arms from neighbouring countries," but that he did not think Grivas "is getting weapons from official sources, either from the Israeli or the Arab side." The Archbishop made the statement in his monthly press conference.

He added that he knew agents of the General had been touring neighbouring countries in search of arms, and that in one case an arms supplier had complained that he had not been paid the agreed amount in full.

President Makarios told a questioner the death of Fatah member Basim Abu Khair in a Nicosia hotel bomb explosion on Thursday appeared to be an act of murder and agreed that it created a disagreement.

Belgium's new government assumes office

BRUSSELS (UPI). — King Baudouin swore in Belgium's new three-party government of Socialist Premier Edmond Leburton at the Royal Palace on Friday.

Leburton, his two vice-premiers, 19 other ministers and 14 secretaries took the oath of office 65 days after the previous Socialist-Christian-Socialist cabinet of Premier Gaston Eyskens resigned.

The new government results from coalition agreement approved by Socialist, Social Christian and Liberal Party congresses last Sunday. It is Belgium's 21st post-war government and with its 36 members the largest the country ever had.

Basque guerrillas free Spanish millionaire

PAMPLONA, Spain (AP). — Millionaire Spanish industrialist Felipe Huarte, 43, was back home safe yesterday after being released by Basque guerrillas who held him for 10 days.

Huarte, head of one of Spain's leading construction firms, was kidnapped by a four-man commando team armed with machineguns on the night of January 16.

Lava still flows on island



Picture shows nuclear-like pall of smoke and ash rising over Iceland's Heimaey island, where some 20 houses of the town of Vestmannaeyjar (near centre left) were buried yesterday. The Heimgjafell volcano which erupted on Wednesday continued to spew out lava towards the sea and the town in places is buried up to a metre deep.

(AP radiophoto)

Arab Defence Council opens in Cairo

CAIRO (Reuters). — A special session of the Arab Defence Council opened here yesterday with a tough speech by Arab League chief Mahmoud Riad blaming Arab negligence for the failure to liberate territories captured by Israel.

The former Egyptian Foreign Minister told Arab Defence and Foreign Ministers: "Arab negligence has led to our failure to liberate the Arab territories. We have committed many mistakes in the past and are still making mistakes with the result that we are now incapable of liberation."

Political commentators were surprised at Mr. Riad's frankness in an inaugural address to the 18-nation Council in public session. He appealed for united action among the Arab states and declared: "Joint Arab action is still lacking careful and effective planning, especially as we are facing an enemy who is being flooded with

Rabat students defy warning, continue strike

RABAT (Reuters). — The outlawed National Moroccan Students Union (UNEM) has defied government warnings by calling for a continuation of the current strike of over 15,000 university students, now in its sixth week.

The government has warned that students who do not return to lectures by tomorrow would be expelled from the Mohammed V University and their scholarships withdrawn. Professors who do not turn up for work on the same date will be dismissed.

In a communiqué stuck on faculty buildings on Friday morning, the UNEM listed five major demands — release of student leaders, lifting of the ban on the UNEM, autonomy for the university, guarantees against violation of the university by security forces, and satisfaction of a list of urgent material problems.

Limitless United States funds and arms.

The League Secretary-General was expressing the wishes of many delegates that the special Council session would be more productive than the previous session held in Kuwait last November which was plagued by differences among member states.

Mr. Riad said he hoped the session would pave the way for a full summit meeting to endorse a joint Arab military plan to restore the captured lands.

Moroccan Foreign Minister Ahmed Taïeb Ben-Hima, chairman of the session, told delegates the main aim of the discussions was to draw up such a plan. He said the Arabs should learn from the Vietnamese "and depend upon ourselves in order to rid our countries of Zionist occupation."

President Sadat sent his good wishes to the session through his Foreign Minister, Dr. Mohammed Hassan el-Zayyat, who paid tribute to Syrians who had died in the latest clashes with Israel.

The Council then went into secret session to debate its official agenda. Delegates will also debate a report by the Arab Economic Council on the formation of a joint Arab fund to finance Arab front-line armies and the building of arms factories.

The Council is expected to last three days.

School reopening delayed a week Student agitation in Egypt continues

CAIRO (UPI). — The newspaper "Akhar el-Yom" said yesterday student agitation has continued despite a government order earlier this month shutting all universities and colleges.

It hinted there were connections

between the unrest and a group of ex-government officials, led by former Vice-President Ali Sabry, who were ousted and jailed in 1971.

Universities were closed on January 3, eight days ahead of the mid-term holiday, following clashes between students and police in the streets of Cairo.

Classes were scheduled to resume yesterday, but the reopening was postponed for an extra week on recommendation of a parliamentary committee probing student unrest.

The newspaper said six students were arrested on January 14 for publishing "seditious leaflets" at Cairo's Helwan suburb. A seventh student was arrested as he attempted to smuggle a leaflet to Farid Abdel Karim, a former Arab Socialist Union official who is now in jail, the newspaper said.

Karim was a member of the Sabry group that was convicted for conspiring to topple President Sadat.

The detained students face two years in jail for possession of the seditious leaflets, the newspaper said.

The newspaper said 63 students and government employees were arrested following a speech Sadat delivered to parliament on December 28. But it added that Prosecutor-General Maher Hassan has ordered the release of 23 Alexandria University students and 33 Cairo University students who were involved in recent demonstrations.

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Edward G. Robinson dies at 79



Edward G. Robinson at the time he was in Israel in December 1971, a few days before his 78th birthday. (Israel Sun)

HOLLYWOOD. — Edward G. Robinson, the square-jawed, tough-guy veteran of gangster films, died here on Friday night, ending a prolific acting career spanning almost 50 years.

His death from cancer at the age of 79 was Hollywood's second loss last week. J. Carroll Naish, another of filmland's best known character actors, died aged 76 on Wednesday after a long illness.

Robinson was best remembered for his scowling gangster roles but he also played monks, kings, beggars and a biographical role as the founder of Reuters News Agency, Baron Julius Reuter.

He had just completed his 101st film, portraying a professor in a futuristic drama with Charlton Heston called "Soylent Green" — shortly before he was admitted to Mount Sinai Hospital here three weeks ago.

Robinson is currently being seen in the film made in Israel, "Not by Day and Not by Night." He played the father of a young man who came to Israel and is blinded in the Six-Day War. The film is being shown in Haifa's Bess Cinema.

In an interview in The Jerusalem Post, Robinson said at the time of the filming in December 1971, "I liked the role and it was a good excuse to come back to Israel. I've been away too long." His first visit to Israel was in 1950 when he came for the laying of the cornerstone of Beit Sokolow.

Although he was one of Hollywood's biggest box office stars, he never won an Oscar and film makers had planned to put this right. Robinson was to have been presented with a special Academy Award for his contribution to the

film industry at Oscar ceremonies here in March.

Abandoning various ambitions to be a rabbi, a lawyer, or a teacher, Robinson chose acting and studied at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York. He appeared in more than 40 Broadway productions. He went to Hollywood during the silent era but did not win fame until sound films arrived.

After "Little Caesar" in 1930, Robinson was in constant demand for tough-guy roles. Other hit pictures included "Five Star Final," "All My

Life," "Key Largo," "The Grapes of Wrath," "Brother Orchid," and "The Maltese Falcon."

Robinson had a history of trouble, suffering a heart attack while making a picture in 1952. He had been involved in a near-fatal traffic accident in 1951. Robinson, born Emmanuel Goldenberg, in Bucharest, Rumania, on December 12, 1893 to Jewish parents, came to the United States when he was 10 years old and was brought up on New York's Lower East Side.

His film career brought him fortune and along with it his most impressive private art collection in the Hollywood community. He sold a great part of this collection in 1962 to help his wife Gladys Lloyd was dissolved in 1962. Robinson is survived by wife Gladys and his son, Edward G. Robinson Jr. 38, who wrote an autobiography about his relationship with his father, a granddaughter, Frances, and a brother, William Goldenberg.

Funeral services will be conducted today at Hollywood's Bess Cinema, Israel with Heston, a close friend, expected to give the eulogy. Burial will be in New York. (Reuters)

Jordan exports million tons of phosphate

AMMAN (Reuters). — Nearly a million tons of Jordanian phosphate were exported last year, according to estimates released here today by the Jordanian Phosphate Mines Company.

A company source put phosphate shipments exported through Amman last year at over 667,000 tons, against some 217,000 tons in 1971. Last year's shipments went to India (382,936 tons), Japan (179,000 tons) and Taiwan (84,000 tons).

Its first imports of Jordanian phosphate, the source said, were in 1962.

After an interruption of a few years, Pakistan last year imported 20,460 tons, the source added. Phosphate shipments exported to land after Syria reopened its border with Jordan last month totalled over 286,500 tons, the source said.

Oleo heir kills self; tried to give money away

KINGSTON, New York (AP). — Michael James Brody, the heir to a fortune who sparked a bizarre riches rush three years ago with a pledge to give away his fortune, shot himself to death today.

The Ulster County Sheriff's Office reported Brody, 24, held a high-powered rifle between his knees and blew away a portion of his head.

The body was found in the home of his father-in-law, Robert Dubois, 10 miles west of here in Shokan, New York.

Brody said his idea to give away his money on a first-come, first-served basis came to him while he was "tripped out on drugs."

He wrote out thousands of dollars of giveaway checks to avid petitioners, but they bounced.

He was arrested 13 months ago on charges that he threatened the life of President Nixon in a telephone call to the White House. Charges were later dropped.

Brody was one of four persons named heir to a \$6.88m. trust set up by his grandfather, John W. Jelke, who died in 1965. He received his share when he turned 21 in 1968.

CABLES IN BRIEF

AID. — Talks on West German development aid to Egypt will open in Cairo on January 23, the Egyptian Ministry for Economic Cooperation said yesterday. The talks will last about 11 days.

VISIT. — Chad President Francois Tombalbaye will visit Egypt from February 19 to 22 and will visit Lebanon from February 23 to 26.

PATRICIDE. — Bangkok police have arrested a 25-year-old man for killing his father with a knife when he tried to prevent him from molesting girls at a party.

Uganda to check diplomatic bags for currency smuggling

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP). — The Uganda government announced yesterday all incoming diplomatic bags will be searched to prevent currency smuggling while new banknotes are being introduced here.

All incoming mail, including registered letters and parcels, will also be scrutinized before being transmitted to addressees, and troops have been posted at border crossings to check incoming travellers.

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In this twenty-fifth year of Israel's statehood, we look forward, with you, to the tasks and challenges that lie ahead. We look to the urgent challenge with which history has confronted us to receive in their tens of thousands the Jews of the Soviet Union for whom Israel is home and who seek to rebuild here their lives as Jews and free men and women.

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WOMEN'S LIB AT GOLDA'S

By Lea Ben Dor
Jerusalem Post Deputy Editor

THEIR are at present four full-fledged women ambassadors in Israel, representing Mexico, the Philippines, Austria and Costa Rica, and another woman temporarily in charge of the Colombian embassy.

At a lunch given for them by Mrs. Golda Meir at her home on Tuesday they met Israel's only one-time women ambassadors. Esther Ariz, together with a writer or two, a labour leader, a physician, a social worker, a Knesset member, two journalists, and others.

The only "wife" present was Shoshanna Eban, married to the Foreign Minister, but qualifying as a guest for her social work, and as a writer herself. She was kept in a question of protocol with Carmen Narango, the Costa Rican Ambassador, a social worker who also writes novels.

"I would so much like to get together with you to talk some time," Shoshanna Eban said, apologetically. "But I can't" allowed her. It has to go through my husband because you are an ambassador." There was terrible protocol trouble once when she invited a woman ambassador (who is no longer here) with the "wives" of her ambassadors, and now she is afraid if she were married to a tycoon but the Foreign Minister would be of course to invite anybody. To even things out, Esther Ariz pointed out that at least the husbands of ambassadors ranked much lower than the wives of such male colleagues — there was a woman's Lib for you. No, said Mrs. Meir, I don't think it is. The precedence arises from their wives, and the discrimination is directed against them. Filled again.

MODEST PROTEST

At the table, Mrs. Meir said just as Foreign Minister she had to appoint more women diplomats, but apparently they were afraid. She thought some of the women ambassadors had possibly been appointed because there is a woman Prime Minister in Israel.



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Salvador Dali enjoys a traditional Swedish breakfast — hot drink and pastry — in Paris recently, served by 12 young Swedish girls wearing their traditional costumes and candle crowns. The occasion: a new version of the Domesday with 10 original engravings by Dali just put out by Swedish publisher Borjeson, who also presented him with the King of Sweden medal.

Kitchen Queens get awards

By Catherine Rosenheimer
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HEKELIYA. — Last week, when Chef Nikolai, Principal of the Tadmor Hotel and Catering School and one of the judges in the bi-annual Kitchen Queen Contest, invited all finalists in last September's competition to a lunch prepared by him and some

of his students. Many of the dishes were actually the recipes the contestants had served up to the panel of judges in the competition finals. Others were a selection of what Judge Nikolai considered the best of the many competition recipes in his files.

They included the winner in the first-ever contest in 1963; artichokes stuffed with meat and pine nuts invented by an Arab woman from Nazareth; most recent culinary combination was a good-tasting dish of baby duck with champagne, apples and prunes. This recipe, invented by the team of four Israeli chefs who attended the recent professional chef's contest at the Frankfurt International Fair, was one of the ones which earned the Israeli entrants an Oscar and several gold medals.

The purpose of last week's lunch, attended by representatives of the Ministry of Tourism, the various fruit and produce marketing boards and other sponsors of the competition, was to present certificates to the 1972 Kitchen Queen, Yael Lasur, the runners up, and the judges. Normally the awarding ceremony is held at the President's House, but due to Mrs. Shazar's illness it had to be postponed this year.

PROMOTE AND IMPROVE

Mrs. Kate Kol, wife of the Minister of Tourism and patron of the Kitchen Queen contest, made the awards. Underlining the competition's purpose, which is to promote and improve Israeli standards of cuisine in hotels, restaurants and private homes too, the Ministry of Tourism is now preparing a free recipe leaflet which includes a selection of the best dishes to have emerged in the five competitions held during the past ten years. It will be available to professional chefs and the general public from next month, either from the Ministry and its information offices or from the Tadmor School in Herzliya.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Year plans announced at the lunch also include some gastronomic promotions. At the end of June, the Gastronomic Congress, sponsored by the French Chaine des Rotisseurs, will be meeting here in Israel, attended by 250 members from abroad and 150 from Israel, each of whom pay a \$75 participation fee.

GASTRONOMIC TOUR

They will spend a week on a gastronomic tour of Israel: a "Queen of Sheba" in Jerusalem, a kibbutz "Milk and Honey" supper at Ayelet Hashahar, "Loaves and Fishes" lunch in Tiberias and a "Yiddish Mamma" dinner in a Tel Aviv restaurant are examples of some of the events in the programme.

Amid the various formalities and official announcements on gastronomic matters made at last week's Kitchen Queen lunch, the item which attracted the most attention was the Carambola: a little bitter-sweet star-shaped fruit perched atop the fruit cocktail. According to Chef Nikolai, this is a sub-tropical fruit of the guava family, now being grown in Ramat Hashavim, costing IL10.50 a kilo at select fruit shops and recommended by him "as an addition to any fruit salad or cocktail."

NO PROVEN EFFECT

The subcommittee was told that Americans spend \$1,000 million a year on combination drugs for colds. Witnesses said that the anti-histamines contained in almost all these cures have no proven effect on cold symptoms.

One fast-selling brand of cough mixture was said to be 25 per cent alcohol which could be harmful. A vapour inhalant was alleged to have been shown by tests to be no more effective than pure steam.

What has kept the F.D.A. out of this whole area until recently is a feeling of powerlessness. Legally, the F.D.A. can only challenge the credentials of new drugs. Established brands have to be taken to court where the burden of proof rests on the agency.

DIET DRUGS ATTACKED

Diet drugs also came under attack in the Senate hearing. Here the F.D.A. said it would take action to require more stringent warnings to be posed on amphetamine products which could be harmful to the central nervous system.

The agency is taking immediate action to limit the levels of Vitamin A and D in non-prescription drugs. Overdoses of both can lead to highly dangerous toxic complications.

But a new approach is being made to the whole problem of drugs sold over the counter. More than 100,000 drugs are being split up into categories, and ground rules are being drawn up for each. When they are finished the manufacturers will be forced to conform to them.

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MORE INSTANTS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE familiar Israeli tea-drinking clerk may well be replaced soon by the soup-drinking clerk. In several offices we know, employees have switched to brewing soup cubes in place of the usual mid-morning beverage; now Telma have brought out a new range of instant soups. Sold in packs of four, each envelope makes enough for one generous sized cup. All you have to do is to pour boiling water onto the powder and you have a choice of good-tasting borscht, pea or tomato soup. For summer, they suggest that the borscht can also be mixed with ice cold water straight from the fridge.

The soups are certainly easy enough to prepare — another advantage is that they make it very easy to cater to the whims of each member of the family with a different flavour for everyone. The prices are IL1.98 for a four-portion carton and the range is soon to include a chicken noodle soup as well.

Another piece of news from Telma — this time a service rather than a product — is the launching of a six-lesson correspondence cookery and baking course, prepared by them with the approval of the Jerusalem College for Nutritional and Home Economics Studies. The 30-page course is divided into lessons on first courses, main courses, nu-

trition and calories, fish dishes, baking and desserts. Each lesson costs IL1.50 including postage and can be obtained by writing to Blueband Telma, Home Economics Department, P.O.B. 4868, Haifa.

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NEW DELHI

THE first ship carrying foreign
grain to India in a long while
is due to berth in Bombay
Port today. Many more will follow
in the coming weeks, with two
million tons of grain from Argen-
tina, Canada and the U.S.

These are days of great anxiety
for the Indian Government as re-
ports come in here of food scarcity
and leaping prices in big cities and
of near famine in many rural
areas in 14 states. There's a flour-
ishing blackmarket in sugar, while
pulses, the main source of protein
in the average Indian diet, are far
beyond the reach of most families.

The Government is importing
100,000 tons of soybean and palm
oil to meet a shortage of cook-
ing fats.

Chronic conditions of starvation are
reported from large waterless tracts
in the western states of Maharastra,
Gujarat and Rajasthan.

This is the result of last year's
drought, which Agriculture Minister
Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed describes as
"the worst during the decade."
The last drought of such dimensions
was in 1908-07, and this was of
dramatically described as the worst in the
20th century.

Many thousands of cattle have
died without fodder and water, and
large areas of land are lying fallow
because their peasant owners
have no seed to sow. And even if
they have seed, they have neither
water nor fertilizer to nourish it.

Grain production this year may
just reach 100 million tons, says
Minister Ahmed, against a record
108 million two years ago. Under
the national five-year plan, this
year's harvest should have been 117
million tons.

The wheat crop is expected to be
four million tons more than last
year's 27 million tons, but this will
be more than offset by a drop of
eight million tons in pulses and
coarse grains. The Government's
emergency programme for boosting
the current winter crop by 15 mil-
lion tons has run aground.

In these columns on Friday, the food crisis and looming famine in many parts of the world were surveyed. Today, TREVOR DRIEBERG reports from New Delhi on the scene in India, where cattle have died for lack of pasture and farmers have no seed to sow.

The latest official estimates hope-
fully place the increase at a little
more than six million tons. In-
stead of an additional 3.5 million
tons of wheat, they will now have
to be satisfied with somewhat less
than four million tons.

Acute fertilizer and power short-
ages in the main grain-producing
states, lack of high-grade seed and
poor use of irrigation facilities are
the official reasons listed for the
virtual collapse of the programme.

With wheat and rice running
short in Government-supervised fair
price shops, rationing seems inevit-
able in the main industrial centres.

Already, the monthly ration for an
adult in Bombay is four kilograms
of wheat and two of rice. Since
this quantity is much less than the
average intake of cereal the short-
fall has to be made up by pur-
chases in the open market at four
to six times the controlled price.

Rationing may come together with

the Government's take-over of the
wholesale trade in grain in April.
At present, with its stocks run
down to three million tons from
more than nine million last July,
there isn't enough grain in the state
warehouses to maintain total ra-
tioning in the cities, let alone the
multitude of famine-stricken vil-
lages.

Taking over the wholesale trade
in grain may eliminate the specu-
lator, but it raises equally difficult
problems for the Government. One
is finding sufficient storage for the
30 million ton marketable surplus.

Another is finding the \$4,000m.
needed to buy so much grain. The
Government buys wheat from the
farmer at the fixed procurement
price of \$15 a quintal and will have
to sell it cheaper through the hun-
dreds of thousands of ration shops
it must operate if it wishes to
curb prices, which spiralled by 14
per cent in 1972.

A strict ban on the movement of
wheat from the producing states to
the scarcity areas will be necessary
to ensure the utmost procurement
of the surplus in the hands of the
farmer. But all these measures will
benefit only the consumer in the
cities.

The most vulnerable segment of
the population, the landless labour-
ers in the villages, numbering some
30 million families, will be without
protection against the erosion of a
standard of living that is officially
admitted to be lower than subsis-
tence level.

Thus, after four years of the eu-
phoria of the green revolution,"
which official publicists were quite
sure had banished food scarcity for
good, India finds itself back in a
phase of bleak, belt-tightening aus-
terity which another monsoon failure
this year could turn into a national
disaster.

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the Molelet Development Company
announced that it was withdraw-
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Molelet alleged that a \$11m. loan
promised by another company had
been accompanied by demands for
unusual collateral.

Thursday the representative for
Lewin-Epstein said the terms of
the collateral had been "ordinary."

Loop-hole plugged in immigrants' housing rights

A new immigrant who receives an
Absorption Ministry mortgage for
his home and does not live in it
will have to pay back the entire
mortgage loan immediately at max-
imum interest rates.

This was announced Friday by
the Ministry spokesman, who said
the new provision comes to enforce
a standing regulation, and will be
added to mortgage contracts from
now on. The enforcement is aimed
at preventing abuse of immigrant
housing rights.

According to the ruling, an immi-
grant will forfeit his mortgage if he
fails to reside "regularly" in his
new home or if he rents it out for
more than six months without writ-
ten permission from the Ministry.

I.E.C. ALLOWED TO SUPPLY ELECTRICITY TO HEBRON

The High Court of Justice dis-
charged an order nisi calling upon
the Minister of Defence and the
Military Commander for Judea and
Samarina to show cause why they
should not grant the petitioner the
right to supply electricity to Hebron
and its environs.

The petitioner received a conces-
sion from the Jordanian Govern-
ment to supply electricity to Jeru-
salem, Ramallah, Bethlehem and
Jericho and has to this day continued to supply
electricity to these towns.

On April 1, 1967, the Jordanian
Government enacted the Jordan
Electricity Authority Law, which
provides for the supply of electri-
city wherever it is needed and lays
down inter alia that the Jerusalem
District Electricity Company, that
is the petitioner, would be en-
titled to supply electricity to the
Hebron area on such a date as the
Jordanian Cabinet, upon the recom-
mendation of the Minister for Na-
tional Economy, should determine.

Just prior to the Six Day War the
petitioner was negotiating with
the Jordanian Minister for Na-
tional Economy and the Hebron
Municipal Council about erecting a
high voltage transmission line to
supply the Hebron District with
electric power in bulk, without there
being any intention of extending
the petitioner's concession to cover
the Hebron District as well.

After the Six Day War, when the
Hebron District came within the
administration of the Israeli military
authorities, the law of Jordan was
declared to be still in force in the
area, and the functions of the El-
ectricity Authority and of the Jeru-
salem Minister for National Econ-
omy passed to the Military Com-
mander in the area.

The Commander appointed a rep-
resentative to be in charge of mat-
ters pertaining to electricity in the
Hebron District, and this repre-
sentative issued a permit, in January,
1971, to the Israel Electric Cor-
poration, the third respondent, to
supply electricity to the Hebron Dis-
trict, which till then had been re-
ceiving its electricity in bulk from
three or four generators, erected
by the Army, while the local distri-
bution was handled by the munici-
pal council - a system found to be
inadequate in view of the expand-
ing needs of the town and its en-
viroins.

The Jerusalem District Electricity
Company subsequently claimed that
it was entitled to supply the He-
bron District with electricity by
virtue of the vested rights it had
acquired under the Jordan Elec-
tricity Authority Law, and eventu-
ally petitioned the High Court of
Justice, which granted it an order
nisi.

On the return day, Mr. E. Shim-
ron, appeared for the petitioner, Mr.
E. Nathan, Senior Assistant State
Attorney, for the first two re-
spondents, and Mr. A. Levin for
the third respondent.

Judgment

Justice Landau, who delivered the
judgment of the High Court, Jus-
tices Witkon and Kahn concurring,
first considered the petitioner's ar-
gument that it had already ac-
quired the right to supply Hebron
with electricity before the Six Day
War. After discussing the details of
the negotiations with the Jordanian
Minister for National Economy and
the Hebron Municipal Council he
held that the negotiations had been
for no final and that, in any
case, the formal steps de-
manded by the Jordanian law had
not been completed and that the petitioner
could not claim that it had acquired
the right to supply Hebron with
electricity.

Justice Landau then went on to
discuss the validity of the respon-
dents' actions in the light of inter-
national law. He wished to point
out at the outset, he said, that
on previous, similar, occasions, the
respondents had not challenged the
jurisdiction of the High Court to
intervene in matters pertaining to
the actions of a commander of the
Israel Defence Forces within the
province of his military government
(see also H.C. 337/71, 1 P.D. 28
547). Furthermore, their counsel
had reiterated that the Military
Commander permitted himself to be
guided in his actions by the
rules of international law, and in
the Convention of 1907
relating to the laws and customs
of war on land.
The Court would, therefore,
examine the second re-
spondent's actions in the light
of international law.
In view of these principles,
the duties and rights
of government are de-
based of its military
on the one hand, and

THE SUPREME COURT SITTING AS HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

Before Justices Landau, Witkon and Kahn

Jerusalem District Electricity Company, Petitioner, v. 1. Minister of Defence, 2. Military Commander for Judea and Samaria, 3. Israel Electric Corporation, Respondents
(H.C. 256/72).

NO INFRINGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL LAW IF I.E.C. SUPPLIES HEBRON WITH ELECTRICITY

LAW REPORT

Edited by Doris Lankin

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 1973

the need to ensure in so far as
possible, the proper and regular
functioning and security of civilian
life, on the other (see also H.C.
337/71 above).

Subject to its own military re-
quirements, and to the security
and welfare of civilian life, he ad-
ded, the military government is re-
quired by the Hague Convention to
honour the local laws and the vested
rights of the local inhabitants
(see clauses 43 and 46). The supply
of electricity, Justice Landau con-
tinued, belongs without any doubt
to those duties which a military
government must fulfil in order to
ensure regular civilian life; and the
experts are unanimous that the
electricity supply to Hebron and its
environs requires energetic and im-
mediate improvement, which could
be achieved only by joining Hebron
to one of the country-wide networks.
The construction of a high tension
line for this purpose would, there-
fore, not constitute an infringement
of clause 43 of the Hague Con-
vention, but would, on the contrary,
come within the bounds of the
Military Government's duty to
ensure the economic welfare of the
local population, including the resi-
dents of Kiryat Arba.

As to the Military Government's
duty, under clause 46 of the con-
vention, to respect private property,
and hence also vested rights, as
Justice Landau held, the petitioner
had not acquired any vested rights
in any case, the second respondent
had been entitled to consider the
question of the supply of electricity
to Hebron purely on its merits, and
in accordance with the criterion of
what would be best for the resi-
dents of Hebron and its environs.

He had no doubt, he continued,
that as between the two rival com-
panies competing for this right, the
third respondent was superior
to the petitioner from both a tech-
nical and an economic viewpoint.
Furthermore, he concluded, it should
be remembered that the petitioner
had slept on its rights and that
by the time it had seen fit to
push its claim to be given the
work, the high tension line had been
practically completed by the third
respondent.

There was no cause, therefore, for
the High Court to intervene in the
decision of the second respondent
and the order nisi should be dis-
charged.

Order nisi discharged with IL1,000
costs.
Judgment given on December 20,
1972.

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M.E. PEACE AND U.S.

AMBASSADOR Rabin is on a visit from Washington and has assured us that relations with the U.S. are as good now as they were four months ago, before the presidential elections. This is putting it bluntly, but it is the real test. Furthermore, he said that the U.S. would certainly search for means of promoting peace in the area, but that he did not foresee any likelihood of pressure being applied to Israel. He is in a good position to judge and speculation on this issue is expected of him.

At the same time we have been so flooded with speculation concerning likely pressure and probable U.S. proposals from other Israeli sources that there is a feeling that now the U.S. need only gather up these proposals in order to learn at which points Israel expects to be pressured.

Even Dr. Nahum Goldmann, our veteran mentor, turned up once more with the good advice that Mrs. Meir had better prepare "a new plan" against her visit to Washington, for that was what was expected of her. Mapai spokesmen have been saying anxiously ever since there was hope of an agreement in Vietnam that it was high time for Israel to launch new proposals.

In all this welter of words only one thing is clear. It is not with the U.S. that we need an agreement, or peace, or better understanding; there is as large a measure of mutual understanding between us and the U.S. as there is ever likely to be between two countries of such

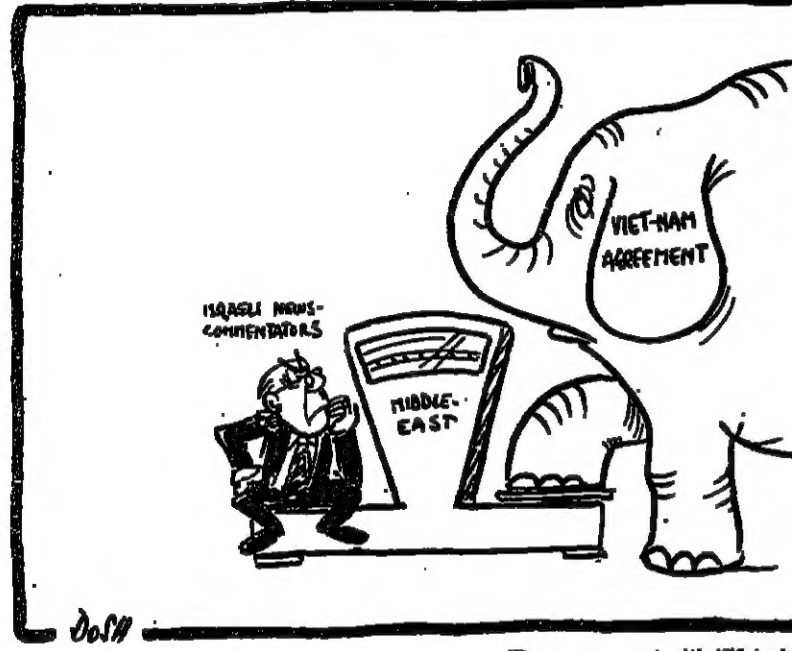
disparate sizes, interests and geographical location.

If there is to be a settlement, we must make it with Egypt, in the first place. Jordan is a form of understanding is being developed. There has been evidence out of Egypt recently that President Sadat at least, for what he is worth, and for however long he will last, would like to have a settlement of some kind drop into his lap, as long as it can be made to look like a victory that he has achieved for Egypt. In pursuit of this object he threatens more war — and is promptly echoed by a "New York Times" writer, who fears the danger that Egypt may feel "compelled" to attack across the Suez Canal in the hope of embroiling the major powers.

The Soviet withdrawal from Egypt last June is evidence that they do not wish to find themselves involved in even a mini-Vietnam operation in the Middle East, and it is equally unlikely that the U.S. should permit any of its forces to become embroiled in any conflict in this area.

If there are any negotiations over the Suez Canal, and the future of Sinai, they will have to be between us and Egypt, perhaps with the assistance and mediation of third and fourth parties, but not at their bidding. The peace will have to be made between those who live in the area, and continue to do so after the fighting is ended, rather than the final peace will have to be made among the Vietnamese themselves. We should be watching Egypt for signals at this time, not the U.S.

THE ELEPHANT AND THE JEWISH PROBLEM



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Vietnam and the M.E.

Davar (Histadrut): "There are not many parallels between the Vietnam and Middle East conflicts. In Vietnam, the firing will be silenced upon conclusion of a process of direct dialogue between the parties, whereas in the Middle East the Arabs are not ready for this... As for the Arab hope for an imposed solution in this region, they have nothing on which to base such a wish. Neither the U.S. nor the Soviet Union are in a hurry, and the Middle East is no longer a top priority issue."

Ha'aretz (non-party): "American pressure for a Middle East settlement is very likely. It will not be directed against Israel alone, however, and Israel can also display vigorous opposition to such an imposition. The Egyptian President would therefore do better to agree to clarifications with Israel, instead of hoping for a miracle in the shape of American intervention."

Hatzofe (National Religious): "For all that, the Egyptians constantly threaten to open fire, they prefer a political solution and wish for an imposed solution. As long as they refuse to recognize Israel, peace will remain a wishful thought. We must persuade the Arabs to accept our position regarding the borders, in order to reach normal relations."

Omer (Histadrut), on the trial of spy suspects, stresses that all those indicted on Thursday on charges of belonging to a Syrian spy ring — both Arabs and Jews — are merely suspects, as long as the court has

FOREIGN PRESS

Action against air-pirates

A "loaded meeting" of the legal committee of the International Civil Aviation Organization has passed over U.S.-backed proposals for a treaty that would "impose sanctions against non-signatory countries that fail to take action against aerial pirates," the New York Times complained in an editorial on Friday. Instead, the committee favoured a plan in which treaty signers would make "recommendations" against non-signatory nations that violated it, the paper commented.

The same myopic lineup of Arab and African nations that blocked forceful anti-terrorist action at the U.N. last autumn has reformed in Montreal, together with the Russians and French. If the Montreal meeting can do no better than to enforce a treaty that provides no clear enforcement mechanism, it will add nothing significant to the toothless agreements "ready on the books."

But the Guardian, Liberal, on Premier Amin of Uganda: "He may be lucky. Friendly Arab comradery may put in men and money in the way that Israel did. The East Germans and Czechs usually rally round at times like this. In any case, the country has an abundance of food. But he may equally be unlucky. If Ugandans begin to long for the days when machinery worked and the Asian shops were full, Amin's formula for African self-help may lose its appeal. If Amin has rocketed to popularity in states beyond his borders, the rocket could quickly fall to earth after the shower of sparks."

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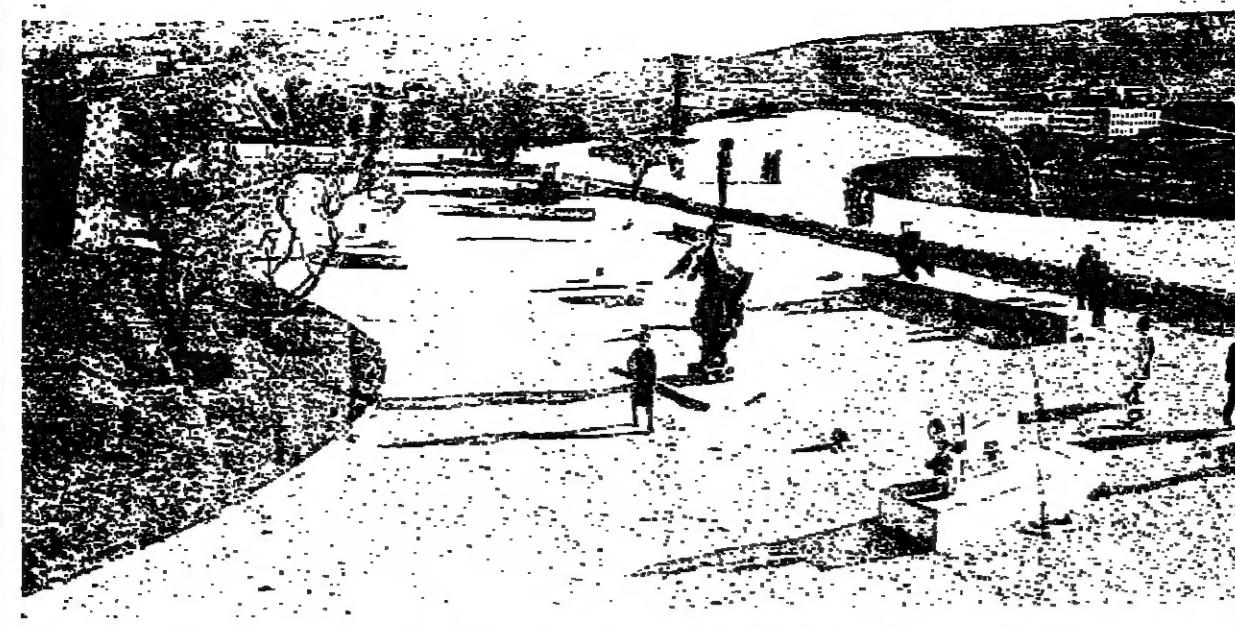
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The Israel Museum's Sculpture garden: restful and refreshing. (Rubinger)

Sculpture garden defended

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was rather saddened by Mr. Ronnen's critical view of the sculpture gardens at the Museum (January 22). It has always seemed to me a lovely graceful (albeit pebbly) display area. Perhaps if I were a summer tourist on a 20-minute tour of the Museum and gardens, I might object to the amount of space the gardens cover. However, as I am not, and as I am a regular visitor to the Museum, I find that a stroll through a part of the gardens is always restful, rewarding and refreshing.

Mr. Ronnen is right about the wasting of good space on inferior pieces, but it seems to me the setting is perfect for sculpture. I was always under the impression that sculpture generally looks best in an uncluttered outdoor setting and that backdrops (meaning enclosing walls) only tend to stifle the work. As for the Henry Moore, I thought it was eminently viewable where it is.

As for the landscaping at the gardens, perhaps they could, as Mr. Ronnen suggests, use more trees for shade with appropriate seating space. But the layout and use of greenery and the use of the unusual metal, wood, or stone used in the pieces.

MARILYN LONDON

Jerusalem, January 21

Meir Ronnen comments:

I have since learned that the curators are also dissatisfied with the setting of the Moore and hope to move it.

Eban speech

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The headline and text of your report on the Foreign Minister's speech in memory of President Lyndon B. Johnson go beyond what the Minister said or implied. Here are Mr. Eban's words:

"On the one hand he was convinced that Israel was menaced by aggressive danger and that the peril was unprovoked. On the other hand it turned out that America's capacity to deter, prevent or check the aggressive design was inhibited by the complications of the Vietnam war, with its international effect and its domestic consequences. Yet after contacts with him, in speech and writing, we could feel that if Israel took its own responsibility and emerged intact, he would not support or even permit a policy of international intimidation, which would have the effect of reproducing our dangerous situation all over again."

It is therefore quite wrong to attribute to the Foreign Minister the view that President Johnson took any responsibility whatever for Israel's action prior to June. It is accurate to say that he showed understanding after the event and protected Israel against hostile political pressures.

AVRAHAM AVIDAR

Spokesman, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem, January 25.

FIGHTING OVER 'PLAYBOY'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — An article by Alex Berlinsky in the January 21 issue of "Life" magazine reviewed several other popular magazines. Among those mentioned, he made a slighting reference to "Playboy."

In your issue of January 17, you reported a discussion of "Women's Liberation" members of the International Women's Club. We read that Mr. Berlinsky was among the participants and once again made reference to "Playboy" magazine. I quote: "If you want to see how men view women, all you have to do is study an issue of 'Playboy.' As a guy from the enemy camp, I can tell you that the news isn't good."

I wonder how thoroughly Mr. Berlinsky has read this full and interesting magazine. Does he just turn to look at the centre pages for a preview of the month's "dolly"? If so, does he really shudder prudishly? I am sceptical. "Playboy" is a big monthly magazine and very few of its pages are occupied by nude girls. The remainder of the magazine is devoted to many interesting articles, stories and best of all, the "Playboy" interview. This monthly interview is equalled by no other magazine in its length, thoroughness and interest.

When "Playboy" enters our home will read it first. Maybe he does look at the centre pages a long time and mumbles, "good article" — so what? It's fun, it's innocent and occasionally even artistic.

As a woman I feel in a way whatever is said by "Playboy" is a little bit of the beautiful girls maybe... What so disturbs Mr. Berlinsky, I fail to understand.

SHEILA SHAMIR

Tel Aviv, January 17.

Alex Berlinsky was recently asked if he'd let his 11-year-old daughter appear as a "Playmate" in his magazine. He edged the question, referring to his Jewish background which he's unable to shake off. Apparently this only affects his daughter and not the women-as-objects who are featured.

Readers' letters

Needed: some of the old-time idealism

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — This is in reply to Lotte Bick's letter "Every immigrant a prince" (January 22). You write that you came to Israel from England in 1950, paid your own way, were glad to pay taxes, etc. Then you grumble extensively about Western immigrants who "exploit" the privileges and bury themselves in luxuries. Of course it was hard for you in 1950 to adjust to living here, and it's just as hard for us now, and the addition of a TV set and a car doesn't really make much of a difference. What's much more difficult to take is the resentment shown to us by Israelis — because of material losses (not gifts) extended to us by the Israeli Government now, 1973, which the Israeli Government couldn't provide for you, the people who came in the 1950s, because it didn't have the means. (For your information, the money for these loans and subsidies doesn't come out of Israeli taxes, but from Diaspora Jewry and is donated precisely for the purpose of aiding today's immigrants.)

And those tax-free goodies! Do you really think Western immigrants didn't own a stove, fridge, TV set, washing machine, furniture and car before they came? The reason they didn't bring them was the prohibitive cost of shipping and the fact that the appliances worked on 110 volts instead of 220.

And about your "princes of industry." You don't even grant us that we came for idealistic reasons, which we did indeed. Or do you think my husband took a three-quarter cut in his salary in order to buy tax-free appliances in Israel?

And one last thing: we who came from the West can at least go back in defeat if things get too bad here; immigrants from Russia cannot. We live in a house with many Russian immigrants, and to see their despair over the treatment they receive from Israelis is truly heart-breaking. If you, dear Israelis, have any of that old idealism left, please take it out of mothballs and apply it, a little every day, to you fellow Jews from Russia, I'm sure you'll see startling results.

EVE STRAUSS

Jerusalem, January 22.

MISDIRECTED PENALTY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It has been stated that restrictions on immigrants' import rights were introduced because immigrants were abusing their rights. This accusation seems to me to be totally misdirected. Let me give a personal example. Shortly after my arrival, I received two phone calls from relatives (who, incidentally, had been most kind and hospitable each time I was in Israel as a tourist). Each phone call was a request for favours involving the use of my rights. Each time, I refused. I have never heard from any of my relatives again. In speaking with other new immigrants I learned that my experience was far from unique.

Can you feel the emotional effect of that experience. Can you imagine what it is like for a young single person, separated from family and friends and hoping for a warm welcome from relatives to find that their interest is in exploiting you? And then — and then — you rights being restricted and to find yourself (as a new immigrant) publicly described in the press as having abused those rights! It seems to me that the punishment is definitely being dealt out to the victims rather than to those who victimize.

MRS. M. FELDMAN

Tel Aviv, January 19.

IMMIGRATION INSURANCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to lend my support to Moshe Alter's suggestion of January 5 that Jews all over the world purchase insurance to cover the costs of settling in Israel.

As a young Jew, growing older, and starting to become independent of my parents, I begin to wonder if any Jew can really call America home. Perhaps there is a move to Israel in my future. Perhaps the Jew will not always enjoy his present comfortable position in American society.

The thought that were I to move to Israel, I would find it necessary to depend on charity while adjusting to the society disturbs me. If I ever move to Israel, I would like to be able to do so without becoming a burden upon those who have already invested years of their lives in building up the country. Thus the proposed insurance is an investment I feel I must make if I ever expect to enjoy the right of return.

One further suggestion for those Jews throughout the world who can afford to buy insurance: the interest thus earned should be used to provide for Russian Jews and others who cannot afford the costs of their own immigration.

ART GRAND

New York, January 14.

HOSPITAL FOR CHRONIC DISEASES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to Mrs. Mushie Krasnik's letter "Care for the chronically ill" (January 19), I wish to advise that the building in question for chronic diseases at 12 Rehov Tel-Hai is in the name of my late husband, Meyer Koshab Salsawsky, and a plaque to this effect is at the entrance to the hospital.

My husband purchased the original structure of one and a half floors and had additional floors built up to the present five floors to accommodate the long waiting list of chronically ill. He donated the building to Jerusalem's Bikur Holim Hospital who run it. Dr. Kleselstein deserves much credit for the care he gives to his patients. I was happy to read that Mrs. Krasnik volunteers her services for the cause.

MRS. MOZELLE SALSOWSKY

Petah Tikva, January 21.

NOT ENOUGH SYMPATHY FOR THE NEW IMMIGRANTS

PERSONAL OPINION BY MICHAEL KAHAN

THE recent flurry of letters concerning the rights, privileges and complaints of new immigrants has indicated that there is a great deal of passion involved in these matters. It is good that people feel able to relate to each other in this manner, but there does come a point at which a cold, hard look at a situation is the most suitable approach.

I often think about a letter that I might write to this newspaper in 1990. It might begin: "When I came here as an immigrant in 1971, we weren't able to have all of the things that immigrants get now. We had to be satisfied with a flat of 83 square metres; we had to spend hours at ports and airports clearing the goods that had to be brought outside of Israel because they simply were not available here. We had to wait months to find permanent housing because the great demand had caused long delays..." This assumes, of course, that in 1990 Israel will have progressed to the point where these things don't happen. We had to wait months to find permanent housing because the great demand had caused long delays..." This assumes, of course, that in 1990 Israel will have progressed to the point where these things don't happen.

The point is, that people too often lose their perspective by concentrating solely on their own experience, and not accepting the other person's experience as valid. We all give up in a way when we come to Israel, and we all expect certain other things to take their place. The important questions to ask have to do with the extent to which expectations are fulfilled and how well off people are relative to other people who are here now — not to a situation that existed in the past.

Fulfillment

It is instructive to read the Statistical Yearbook published annually by the Central Bureau of Statistics. In the section on consumer durables, the evidence seems clear that, on almost all counts recent immigrants from Western countries are less likely to possess things than are families whose breadwinner was born in Israel. Of course, both these groups are better off than immigrants from non-Western countries — but herein lies the point about the fulfilment of expectations.

Immigrants who come from Western countries these days have, by and large, left situations in which discrimination and social tension are less likely to be a factor. They are seeking a community in which important values are shared, in which cooperation is extended, in which privilege and the arrogance of authority are discouraged, in which, in short, the attempt is being made to reduce inequalities of opportunity.

Now what is found? That people here are, very often, really not nice to each other; that they are competitive and materi-

* And the flow has not yet ceased (Editor J.P.)

Officials

It is important, also, to keep in mind how often the new immigrant must have dealings with public officials, frequently in an unfamiliar language, and that these dealings are very often unproductive. This is, of course, a familiar story — so familiar, in fact, that a great many of the immigrants who leave Israel repeat it. The point of it is the disillusionment, the frustration and the waste that is produced by the pettiness of so much human interaction in Israel. Moreover, it does not help to cover this over with slogans about Zionism, rebirth, and national purpose, when these slogans are found so empty when applied to a day-to-day life of dignity, happiness and satisfaction. It is based on relationships and responses that are rooted in day-to-day events, and expectations of what will happen the next day. In short, there is far too little sympathy, and far too much breast-beating. There is too much self-importance, and far too little of trying to put yourself in the other's place. If Israel needs and wants immigrants, and I believe it does, then it will have to extend these needs into the present day — 1973 — and forget about the old days. You don't want to relieve them, and you can't expect others to relieve them for you.

Perhaps everyone is wrong; we can't understand your suffering of 20 years ago, and you can't understand ours now. But there seems to be enough suffering in the world that we need not blame anyone for not having enough.

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